CHAPTER 207.

AN ACT to repeal section 52 of Article 52 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Justices of the Peace," sub-title "Supersedeas and Execution," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section 52 of Article 52 of the Code of Public Repeal. General Laws, title "Justices of the Peace," sub title "Supersedeas and Execution," be, and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, to read as follows:

52. No execution shall issue upon any judgment or decree obtained in any Circuit Court for any county of this State, provided the defendant therein shall come before a justice of the When execution upon peace of the county where such judgment or decree was rendered shall not shall not shall not within two months after the rendition of such judgment or decree, and, together with two other persons, such as the said justice shall approve of, confess judgment for his debt and costs of suit, adjudged or decreed, with stay of execution for six months thereafter, which confession shall be made in manner and form following-that is to say: "You, ----, do confess judgment ____, for the sum of ____ and costs, which were recovered by the said ——, against ——, on the —— day of ——, in the —— Court; the said —— to be levied of your goods and chattels, lands or tenements, for the use of the said _____, in case the said _____ shall not pay and satisfy to the said _____, so as aforesaid recovered against him, with the additional costs thereon, on the ---- day of ---- next," which confession shall be signed by the justice before whom the same is made, and forthwith returned to the clerk of the court in which the judgment or decree was rendered, who shall record the same; if the judgment was rendered in the Court of Appeals, the confession aforesaid may be made before a justice of the peace in the county where the defendant resides; provided, however, that no such confession of judgment shall operate as a supersedeas of or delay the issuing of an execution upon any judgment or decree rendered by any of the Circuit Courts or the Court of Appeals of this State, unless the same be approved, both as to form and the sufficiency of the security by the clerk of the court where the judgment or decree intended to be superseded was rendered. This section shall not apply to the city of Baltimore; and it shall not be lawful for the justices of the peace in said city to take supersedeas of any